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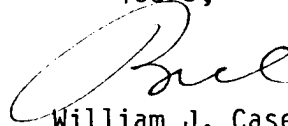
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Dear Jim,

I like your idea for a program in Soviet Central Asian and Turkic studies and the assets and expenses that could be put behind it.

We are very good in our government about finding reasons not to do things and that sears my soul. But there is a rather clear-cut Congressional intent to keep CIA disentangled from the radios. For that reason and because State has funds not so embargoed and is working on what seems to be a parallel undertaking, I've written the enclosed letter to Frank Shakespeare.

Yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Bill Casey', written over the typed name.

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Enclosure

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